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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO
PARAGRAPH 2 OF REFTEL:

1. THERE ARE THREE DEA POSITIONS ON THE COMPLEMENT OF THIS MISSION. MR. MARCELINO M. BEDOLLA, GS-14, HAS THE FUNCTIONAL TITLE OF SPECIAL AGENT IN-CHARGE AND DIPLOMATIC TITLE OF ATTACHE; MR. BRUCE R. STOCK, GS-13, HAS THE FUNCTIONAL TITLE OF SPECIAL AGENT AND DIPLOMATIC TITLE OF ASSISTANT ATTACHE; AND MR. SHELDON E. REYHER, GS-13, EXPECTED TO ARRIVE AT PANAMA O/A FEBRUARY 15, WILL HAVE THE FUNCTIONAL OF SPECIAL AGENT AND THE DIPLOMATIC TITLE OF ASSISTANT ATTACHE. ALL THREE OFFICERS HOLD DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS AND HAVE BEEN GRANTED THEIR DIPLOMATIC TITLES BY THE DEPARTMENT.

2. GOP RECOGNIZES THE DIPLOMATIC STATUS OF DEA OFFICERS. HOWEVER, THE NAMES OF MESSRS. BEDOLLA AND STOCK HAVE NOT BEEN INCLUDED IN THE FORMAL DIPLOMATIC LISTING OF EMBASSY OFFICERS FURNISHED THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OWING TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THEIR HAVING RESIDENCE IN THE CANAL ZONE RATHER THAN THE

REPUBLIC OF PANAMA. ALL DIPLOMATIC PRIVILEGES ARE EXTENDED
THEM BY THE GOP. IT IS PLANNED FOR MR. REYHER TO RESIDE IN
THE REPUBLIC.

3. EMBASSY PANAMA CONSIDERS DIPLOMATIC TITLES FOR DEA OFFICERS
ASSIGNED HERE DESIRABLE AND CONDUCTIVE TO THE EFFECTIVE
CONDUCT OF THEIR DUTIES.
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